

TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

Bureau of Reclamation's 2010 Visual Identification of Soils, Earth School

March 2 – March 4, 2010

Reclamation Materials Engineering and Research Laboratory Group and the Engineering Geology Group are co-sponsoring the 2010 “Visual Identification of Soils, Earth School”. The session offers hands-on training on visual identification of soils using the Unified Soils Classification System; laboratory and field soils testing methods; geologic logging; and common earthwork construction testing methods, plus an increased emphasis on the technical details of identifying and classifying soil samples. A team of well-qualified Reclamation specialists will lead the training sessions.

Topics will include:

- Principles of investigation
- Drilling and soil sampling
- Both classroom and hands-on instruction in the use of unified soils classification methods for soil identification and description
- Field and laboratory testing
- Fundamentals of earth construction
- Dealing with problem soils

What will you learn: Participants will increase their knowledge of standard techniques used to visually classify and recognize soils in civil engineering projects, plus various exploration methods and construction techniques using earth materials.

Who should attend: The course provides an outstanding development opportunity for Department of the Interior (DOI) employees as well as other Federal, state and county employees, supervisors, and managers who are directly responsible for the technical details of identifying and classifying soils samples.

Time: The course begins at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 2, and concludes at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 4, 2010.

Location: The course is being held at the Denver Federal Center, Building 56 Laboratories, Denver, CO.



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Tuition: The tuition cost for this course is \$2,100, payable upon registration. Attendees are responsible for their travel (i.e., airfare, transportation, and lodging) and per diem expenses. Participants that cancel without a substitute will be charged full tuition.

Registration: The course is limited to 27 participants and seats will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. The registration deadline is **Friday, February 16, 2010**. You must register in DOI LEARN at: <https://doilearn.doi.gov>, and complete the attached registration form. If you invite non-DOI personnel, please see the registration instructions on the attached form.

Payment is made by providing your 18-digit cost authority number and cost center in the space provided on the registration form. When searching in DOI LEARN for the course, use the keyword **“Earth School”**. You will be placed on the roster once electronic supervisory approval has been obtained and tuition payment information received.

Questions on course content should be directed to Zeynep Erdogan at 303-445-2348, (zerdogan@usbr.gov). Registration and DOI LEARN questions may be directed to Martha Jackson at 303-445-2632 (majackson@usbr.gov)

Attachment



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